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SUBJECT: WORLD MINING AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

REF: STATE 86523

1. REFTEL ANNOUNCED TRAVEL OF MR. BRIAN DIXON AND MR. LUCIEN WHITTAKER, PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, RESPECTIVELY OF SUBJECT FIRM. STATE WAS ADVISED OF TRAVEL THROUGH OFFICE OF HOUSE SPEAKER THOMAS P. O'NEILL, JR.

2. MESSRS. DIXON AND WHITTAKER HAVE INCORPORATED SEVERAL BUSINESSES IN LIBERIA FOR STATED PURPOSE OF EXTRACTING PRECIOUS METALS AND STONES FROM RECENTLY NEGOTIATED CONCESSION AREA. IN THAT REGARD, WHITTAKER HAS ASKED EMBASSY FOR LETTER OF REFERENCE TO CHASE MANHATTAN BANK OF LIBERIA. EMBASSY RESPONDED BY PROVIDING NOTE TO CHASE BANK OFFICER CONTAINING SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL. WHITTAKER ALSO MAKING APPROACHES TO VARIOUS LIBERIANS IN OFFICIAL CAPACITIES IN SEEKING FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION IN HIS COMPANY'S EXPANDING VENTURES. AS INDICATION OF SIZE OF INVESTMENT, WHITTAKER MENTIONED IN RECENT LETTER TO AMBASSADOR THAT HE WOULD BE IMPORTING HEAVY EARTH MOVING EQUIPMENT, TWO HELICOPTERS, AND VARIOUS OTHER PIECES OF EXPENSIVE EQUIPMENT.

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3. EMBASSY INFORMED SUBJECT FIRM HAS TWO U.S. OFFICES: (A) 1776 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10019, TEL: (212) 581-5762; (B) 13469 BEACH AVE., MARINA DEL REY, CALIFORNIA 90291, TEL: (213) 822-6699.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND

INFORMATION OBTAINABLE ON SUBJECT FIRM AND ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

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